GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:223
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Private Universities
Goud Dr. Boora Narsaiah

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of private universities/ deemed universities in the country along with their ranking on the basis of their performance, State/UT-wise;
(b) the details of the first twenty five private universities recognised on the basis of merit awarded by University Grants Commission (UGC), location-wise;
(c) whether the Government has laid down any procedure to determine the merits and performance of private universities and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether a number of proposals are pending with UGC for the establishment of private universities and if so, the details thereof and the time by which these are likely to be approved; and
(e) the steps taken to improve the standard and quality of education imparted by these universities?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)
(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*223 FOR 14.03.2016 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBER DR. BOORA NARSAIAH GOUD REGARDING PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES
(a) & (b): At present, there are 233 Private Universities and 123 Deemed to be Universities in the country. 88 Institutions out of 123 Deemed to be Universities are privately managed. The State-Wise/UT-Wise break up of these Universities is as under:
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Sl No.
Name of State
No. of Private Universities
No. of Deemed to be Universities
No. of privately managed Deemed to be Universities
1.
Andhra Pradesh

5
4
2.
Arunachal Pradesh
7
1

3.
Assam
4

4.
Bihar

1

5.
Chandigarh

1

6.
Chhattisgarh
8

7.

Delhi

10
2
8.
Gujarat
24
2
2
9.
Haryana
18
6
3
10.
Himachal Pradesh
17

11.
Jammu & Kashmir

1

12.
Jharkhand
3
2
1
13.
Karnataka
12
14
12
14.
Kerala

2

15.
Madhya Pradesh
18
1

16.
Maharashtra
5
21
14
17.
Manipur
1

18.
Meghalaya
8

19.
Mizoram
1

20.
Nagaland
2

21.
Odisha

3
2
2
22.
Punjab
13
2
1
23.
Pondicherry

1
1
24.
Rajasthan
41
8
8
25.
Sikkim
5

26.
Tamil Nadu

28
27
27.
Telangana

2
2
28.
Tripura
1

29.
Uttar Pradesh
24
9
6
30.
Uttarakhand
11
3
2
31.
West Bengal
7
1
1
Total
233
123
88
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Till date, no Private Universities / Institutions Deemed to be Universities have been ranked by the Central Government or by its Agencies.
(c): Private Universities established by the State Legislatures are regulated as per the provisions of UGC (Establishment of and Maintenance of Standards in Private Universities) Regulations, 2003 while Deemed to be Universities which are privately controlled are regulated under the provisions of UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 as amended from time to time. The performance of a Private University is determined by the UGC through inspection with the help of Expert Committee consisting of subject experts and nominee from the concerned Statutory Council(s). At present, 138 Private Universities have been inspected by the UGC Expert Committee to assess whether they are fulfilling the minimum criteria in terms of programmes, faculty, infrastructural facilities, financial viabilities, etc. The Private Universities are asked to submit compliance report in respect of suggestions/deficiencies, if any, pointed out by the UGC Visiting Committee for placing before a Committee of the Members of the Commission for consideration. Private Deemed to be Universities are also inspected by the UGC with the help of Expert Committee.
(d): As of now, 31 proposals are pending with UGC for Deemed to be University status. The details of pending proposals are enclosed at Annexure-I. The UGC Act as well as UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 as amended from

time to time does not prescribe any time limit for disposing off applications for conferring of deemed to be university status.
(e): UGC has notified UGC (Establishment and Maintenance of Standards in Private Universities) Regulations, 2003 and UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 as amended from time to time to improve the standard and quality of education imparted by these universities.
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